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was undertaken. Unwholesome articles of food, etc., exposed to flies and dust were destroyed. Intensive drive against sale of cut fruits, etc., was organised in different parts of the City, particularly the market areas.

233. Tuberculosis causes high mortality and sickness among infectious diseases. Three hundred and fifty deaths (342) were reported during the year. The mortality was greater in women than in men. There is one Corporation Tuberculosis Clinic in Civil Station. The Corporation also contributes towards the maintenance of another clinic—Lady Willingdon Clinic—in the City area.

Maternity Homes.

234. The Corporation continued to maintain eight Maternity Homes during the year. The five Centres, one each at Tank Road, Belimut Road, Kaniyar Colony, Yennegeri Yajaman R. Venkataramaiah and Honnadevi Welfare Child Centre and one at Ulsoor Maternity Home, continued to work satisfactorily. Only poor children and mothers were given quarter seer of milk every day at the above Centres.

Baby Show.

235. Baby show was held as usual during the year in conjunction with the Corporation Day Celebrations during the 1st week of December 1953, at 17 different centres, spread over the entire Corporation area, in accordance with a previously chalked out programme.

236. As usual the anti-malarial section was engaged in combating the mosquito nuisance. In the City area there are four zones and a junior Health Inspector is in charge of each zone.

(xiii) Mysore City Municipal Council.

237. The area of the Mysore City Municipality is 14·48 sq. miles. The population according to the Census of 1951 is 2,44,335. There was no change in the boundaries of the City during the year.

238. The Mysore City Municipal Council was reconstituted from 1st April 1953 and consists of forty Councillors. Of these, thirty-six shall be persons elected from general constituencies and four shall be persons elected from constituencies reserved for Scheduled Castes.

239. The Council held 12 ordinary, 6 adjourned and 10 special meetings. The average attendance was 20·8 for

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the period from 1st April to 31st December 1953 and 34·9 for the period from 1st January 1954 to 31st March 1954.

240. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 2,59,049 and the receipts and expenditure during the year amounted to Rs. 27,00,651 and Rs. 25,73,555 respectively. The closing balance at the end of the year was Rs. 3,86,049.

241. The incidence of taxation per capita was Rs. 6-8-8 during the year as against Rs. 6-1-6 in the previous year.

242. Some of the major works carried out during the year were :—

(1) Completion of Combined Hospital at Vanivilaspuram.
(2) Completion of Maternity Hospital at Nazarbad.
(3) Construction of three model houses in Bestageri.
and (4) Cement concreting of Dhanvanthri Road.

Medical Relief.

243. Apart from the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Ayurvedic and Unani Hospital, and Cheluvamba Hospital maintained by Government, eight dispensaries situated in the several mohallas of the City and the P.C.T. Dispensary in Mandy Mohalla, the Municipal Indigenous Hospital in K. R. Mohalla, and Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Women's Hospital in Chamundipuram continued to work during the year. The several Ayurvedic and Unani Institutions continued to get Municipal grants during the year. A sum of Rs. 52,861 (Rs. 47,842) was spent for medical relief during the year.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

244. The Health Officer continued to be the Joint-Secretary of the Gunamba Maternity and Child Welfare Trust under whose auspices 10 milk centres are being run in City and the Municipality makes a monthly contribution of Rs. 730. In addition to distribution of milk to poor children, ante-natal, and postal-natal work is also being attended to by trained midwives under the guidance of a Health Visitor and a lady doctor. Nursery schools were also being run in three places, *viz.*, Tod Hunter, Sheila and Meenambal Centres.

245. Baby Shows were conducted during the year as usual on 6th June 1953 in the several Mohallas of the City under the auspices of the Gunamba Maternity and Child Welfare Trust, Mysore.

246. Spleen survey which was taken up last year after a lapse of several years was continued during the year.

247. One thousand seven hundred and forty-four (1,187) licenses were issued during the year for different trades.

248. The propaganda committee of the Council conducted Mohalla days to rouse the civic consciousness of the citizens and invite their co-operation in the matter of Town clearing and control of communicable diseases. The work during a Mohalla Day consisted of intensive work both by Public Works and sanitation departments in the area selected, followed by an inspection of the well-kept houses for the award of prizes. The proposal for the purchase of a Cinema Projector to exhibit films on public health was under consideration.

249. A scheme for the improvement of water supply to Mysore City at an estimated cost of Rs. 39·49 lakhs was sanctioned by Government.

(xiv) Mysore City Improvement Trust Board.

250. Including the Chairman, there were ten members on the Board. The total number of meetings held was 15 of which 12 were ordinary and 3 special.

251. The number of properties acquired under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act during the year was four (26).

252. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 13,27,909. The total receipts from all sources including those under suspense heads, N. R. B. Funds, amounted to Rs. 14,41,969 leaving a balance of Rs. 10,42,698 at the end of the year.

253. The scheme of providing house connections free of cost was discontinued from 1st April 1954. The total number of underground free house connections given during the year was 39 (166).

254. Three hundred and twenty-seven sites were available at the beginning of the year. One hundred and seventy-five new sites were formed and including 15 sites resumed, the total number of sites available for sale aggregated to 478. Of these, 39 sites were sold and 50 sites in Colony were used for constructing model houses for Adikarnatakas, leaving 438 sites available at the end of the year.